

**RESOLUTION
of the
CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS**

**By Johnson, Reich, Gordon, Hofstede, Lilligren, Goodman, Glidden, Schiff,
Tuthill, Quincy, Colvin Roy, and Hodges**

**Honoring Council Member Don Samuels for his years of service to the City of
Minneapolis.**

Whereas, Don Samuels was first elected in a Special Election in February 2003 to the City Council to represent the Third Ward and was re-elected in 2005 and 2009 to represent the Fifth Ward; and

Whereas, Council Member Samuels served on numerous Standing Committees of the City Council, including a variety of leadership positions, including as chair of the Elections Committee, from 2004-2005; the Public Safety & Regulatory Committee, from 2006-2010; and the Public Safety, Civil Rights & Health Committee, from 2010-2013; and

Whereas, Council Member Samuels served on the Meet Minneapolis Executive Board, the Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee, Bright Water Advisory Committee, Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative Steering Committee, Minneapolis/St. Paul Family Housing Finance Board, Teach for America, Twin Cities Land Bank, Twin Cities RISE! Board; and

Whereas, Council Member Samuels helped improve livability in the city and the Northside through efforts to reduce crime, challenge drug dealing and slumlords, close problem businesses, champion "Ban the Box" legislation, strengthen the dangerous dog ordinance, and usher economic development on the Northside with the "1200 Building," Delisi's, the Minneapolis School Board headquarters, Coloplast, UROC, the Heritage Park Senior Center, Standard Heating and Plumbing and Cottage Park to name a few; and

Whereas, Council Member Samuels will be missed by his constituents for his passion, honesty and integrity and by the Clerk, Council and Mayor's staff for his frequent serenades during birthdays and special occasions, for his extensive toy collection, and for his hearty and infectious laugh and wonderful sense of humor;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved by The City Council of The City of Minneapolis:

The Mayor and City Council do hereby present this Honorary Resolution in recognition of its sincere gratitude and appreciation for the dedication, leadership and outstanding service by Council Member Don Samuels to the City of Minneapolis, together with their best wishes in all future endeavors.